

Home Gardens 9-6-26 Church Of Christ

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Labor Day

KICK-OFF



Genesis 2:15

***The LORD God took the man and
put him in the Garden of Eden to
work it and take care of it***

"Many hands make light work, but too many cooks spoil the soup." "A man without a beard is like bread without crust."

"HOLIDAYS COMING UP"

Memorize - 2 Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

1. **Menu 20th** - Casseroles & Old Fashion Cobblers with Ice Cream.
2. **Neighbors** - Do you know them ? It's 2nd command. Matt 22:39

"An idle brain is the devil's workshop."

Myrna/Ray White - Son "Wally" passed away, and HG sends our condolences. **Shelia** - Has more health issues than most. **Jill/ Stephen** - Carlee has an evening softball game with her school team. **"Hello September, Goodbye Summer"** **Sharon** - Well you know **Cameron** and her husband **Hunter** had the baby a month early, so he is in the NICU off the oxygen and jaundice lights. He now needs to nurse or take bottle and gain weight so he can go home. He has a private room where they can stay 2 people during the day and 1 can stay all nite. You know it's like pulling teeth to get Cameron to leave her baby, but she needs to rest so we are praying he will get better and gain some weight to go home. He has feeding tube down his throat to his stomach so it's hard, Thank you St John. **Dolores/John** - Dolores having severe neurology problems with her legs along with no sleep. **John** limb puncture and weeping. **"Your cornbread ain't done in the middle again Boo! Hiss!"** **Nicole/ Ben** - Festive gathering to share their trip with the entire family last Saturday. **GP/ John Boy** - Every Friday evening GP has a large chocolate malt, and we tour Mid- Town, stopping folks and giving a cross, makings Americans, and telling them about God. Only God knows how many people have little crosses and say Amen to our tidings. **India Missionaries** - Have stomach bug, and COVID going around, & not getting enough sleep. Garry leaves for India on September 7th, one last trip. He is in touch with brothers in Nepal, trying to see if there is anything he can do to help them while he's there. **Kathy** - We are going to Illinois next weekend to see my sisters. **Janice/Jerry** - Today, August 30, 1976 is very special as Jerry & I look back on 50 years since we welcomed Tim into the world. **Iva Votaw** - Sends the eyes of Texas are upon you, and this editor remembers her parents; along with sisters. **Iva** was 5th & Garfield CC secretary for **Charlie Parker**. She enjoys the weekly bulletin "Hurrah for a Okie Gal." **In a never-ending effort to attract the unchurched, some churches are translating their terminology into familiar football phrases.** **BLITZ**-The strategic play that takes place two seconds after closing prayer as everyone rushes for their favorite restaurant. **BLOCKING** - Talking endlessly to the preacher in foyer by the church **ASSISTANT COACH**- Every mother who has a kid in the children's Christmas program. **DRAFT CHOICE**-The decision to sit close to an air conditioning vent. **DRAW PLAY**-What many children and a few adults do with their bulletins during service. **END ZONE**-The pews. **EXTRA POINT**-What you receive when you tell the preacher his sermon was too short. **FIRST QUARTER**-What most people put into offering so it looks like they are giving. **FOURTH QUARTER**-The amount that makes up the dollar most people put in the offering when under peer pressure to give more. **HAIL MARY**- Desperate move made by elders in a last-ditch attempt to get people to put something in the plate. **HALFTIME**-The period between Bible study and worship when many choose to leave.

"He who rides a tiger is afraid to get off."



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"He who laughs at himself never runs out of entertainment."

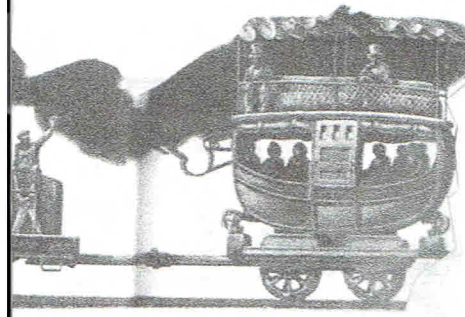
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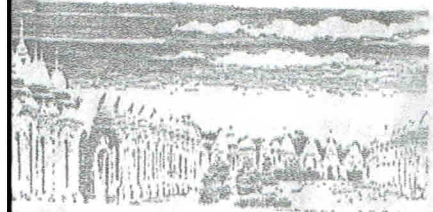
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"Even the devil was handsome when he was young." "A closed mouth catches no flies." "A lazy tailor uses long threads."



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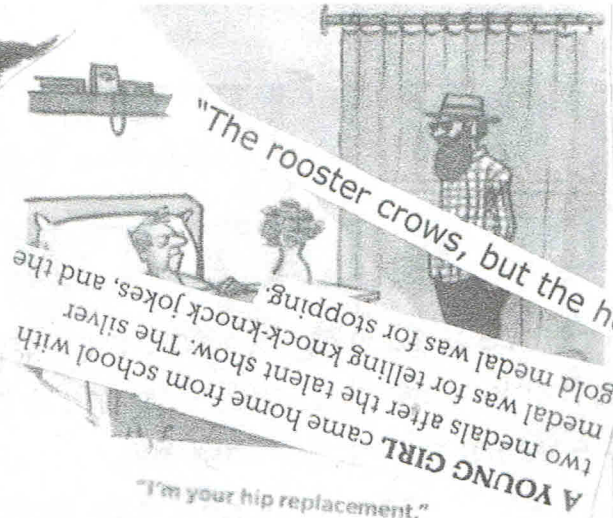
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CRIME STILL DOES NOT PAY

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"The rooster crows, but the hen delivers."
"Two medals after the talent show. The silver medal was for telling knock-knock jokes, and the gold medal was for stopping."
"A YOUNG GIRL came home from school with two medals after the talent show. The silver medal was for telling knock-knock jokes, and the gold medal was for stopping."



"This one is for keeping all the other ones so neatly arranged."

IS THE CHURCH OF CHRIST BASED ON TRADITION OR GOD'S WORD? #2

The work of the church of Christ is not a tradition. It is that which is authorized in the Scriptures. It's work can be summed up as **"preaching and teaching the Gospel."** Jesus made this plain in what is often called the "great commission." He said, *"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned"* (Mark 16:15-16). The church today is therefore authorized to preach the Gospel to every person on the face of the earth. One's cultural status, ethnic background, skin color, education, earthly goods, etc. have no bearing on who should hear the Gospel and obey it. To the end that the church is authorized to preach the Gospel to every creature, there are three basic categories into which her specific works fall: **evangelism, edification, benevolence.**

The first century church was so busy in **evangelism** that we read in Colossians 1:23 that the Gospel *"...was preached to every creature which is under heaven...."* Should we do any less today?

The first century church was busily involved in **edifying the saints.** The word edify means to "instruct, enlighten, build up, the act of one who promotes another's growth in Christian wisdom, piety, happiness, holiness, the promotion of spiritual growth." To the church at Corinth we read, *"Let all things be done unto edifying"* (I Corinthians 14:26). *"And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ"* (Ephesians 4:11-12).

The first century church was busy in **benevolence.** Benevolence is: "goodwill, kindness, charity, generosity, helping the needy, disposition to do good." There were often famines to which the church sent relief. *"...Every man...determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judaea"* (Acts 11:29). Second Corinthians 8 tells a lot about the church helping those in need. Galatians 6:10 says, *"As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."*

These things are authorized in the Bible, not tradition. **One for the Books**

After Ballard High School in Louisville, Kentucky, banned cellphones last year, the librarians noticed something: In the first month of school, the students took out 67% more library books than they did in the same month the previous year.



LIVING ON VIENNA TIME

TRIP OF A LIFE TIME #2

WHEN THE MOON HITS YOUR EYE LIKE

Every building in Venice is so old with so much charm and character you just think wow, that building must be so important, and imagine all the years of history that have taken place in each one. Venice is so different than anywhere I've been, with no cars and only boats or walking for means to get around. Very romantic. The streets themselves just begging you to walk down them and see what's around the corner. We enjoyed a lot of seafood in Venice. Scallops, cicchetti, sea bass, shrimp, and more. The people were very friendly, and most people we spoke to knew at least a little English. Very impressive. We stopped in St. Mary's church. It was beautiful, right on the Grand Canal. We got one beautiful sunset in Venice. They also have natural spring water fountains all over Italy for drinking and cooling off, the best water I've had and so cold! Then the next morning we got breakfast and were on a high-speed (150 mph!) train to the hills of Tuscany for two days. We stopped in Florence on the way to get a new suitcase. It was so busy! The driving was crazy! Our taxi drivers were pushing tourists out of the way with their cars as if they were cattle. We were so excited when we made it to Castagnetto Carducci, a hilltop town with a castle and sweeping views of the Mediterranean Sea! It was so relaxing there and that's what we did! The sunsets were unreal! The food was amazing in Tuscany, lots of pasta and meat dishes.

